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Amendments to the Specification:

(Please note that all paragraph numbers mentioned below are for the paragraphs numbered in accordance with the published version of this application (Pub. No.: U.S. 2005/0075616 A1.) Thank you.

Please replace paragraph [0038] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0038] FIG. 14 depicts a formed fluid conveyance tube that is attachable to latent fluid conveyance tubes depicted in FIG. [[12]] 13 A and FIG [[12]] 13 B.

Please replace paragraph [0044] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0044] FIG. 2 depicts in cutaway outline the internal surface of body-side wall 20 of ostomy bag 21 which has a rounded-corner rectangular-like perimeter and upper extremity 21u, with sealed perimeter edges (seals 22, 22b and versatile tube 25 lower perimeter seal 22c all represented by hatched lines) and unsealed perimeter edge (port 26). The full perimeter of FIG. 2 depicts the frontal outline view of ostomy bag 21. Ostomy bag 21 depicts a closed ostomy bag, thus having stomal aperture 29 but having neither a waste discharge outlet (corresponding to port 14 of FIG. 1 nor a narrow channel (corresponding to waste discharge channel 13 of FIG. 1). As previously indicated both closed and drainable ostomy bags have been made available in a number of different shapes. For example, both drainable and closed types of bags can be made available with arched profile upper extremities (similar to the upper extremity of main chamber 17 of ostomy bag 11 of FIG. 1) or generally straight profile upper extremities as depicted in the upper extremity of main chamber 27 of FIG. 2 (both as viewed from the front). Versatile tube 25 of ostomy bag 21 comprises latent chamber 25c, which is formed by a portion of seal 22 (on its upper edge and its end

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proximal channel 23), seal 22c and multipurpose port 26. Space 22a is an exaggerated depiction to show that seal 22c is not connected to seal 22b except at the ends of seals 22b and 22c proximate channel 23. Channel 23 is formed between a portion of seal 22 and the joined ends of seals 22b and 22c distal from port 26. Channel 23 serves as a fluid communication connection of chamber 25c of tube 25 with the upper extremity of chamber 27. The length of versatile tube 25 as compared, for example, to versatile tube 15 of FIG. 1 provides advantages for the ostomist who for example wants to use the tube for housing elongated filter material. Further consideration of such alternatives is discussed below. Ostomy bag 21 could be used for example, in many of the ways indicated: (a) for versatile tube 15 of bag 11 of FIG. 1; and (b) in the discussion of the combinations depicted in FIG. 6B below. The flat top profile upper extremity could be used to advantage with [[in]] a format that would use other lower bag designs, e.g., drainable bags.[[.]] The inclusion of the versatile tube in a flat top bag offers significant added options for the ostomist.

Please replace paragraph [0055] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0055] FIG. 12 A depicts in portal side partial cutaway view of adhesive side 116 of filter 102 having portals 110 and 111. Filter 102 has an elongated rectangular filter pad 109 that is sealed between rear wall 113 which is visible through ports 110 and 111 and front wall 114 having an exterior surface having a peripheral area 116 covered by adhesive and a central area 115 free from adhesive. Flatus gas would be deodorized by passing through filter 102, entering at port 111 and exiting at port 110. Both port 110 and 111 are depicted as having reinforced edges 107 and 108 respectively, to better assure port definition integrity. Filter-pad end spot-seals 1071 and 1081 which seal rear wall 113 to front wall 114 assure filter 109 does not move longitudinally and also helps keep filter 102 substantially flat during use. (See reference to seals 98 and 97 in